

House Study Bill 28 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE
ON JUDICIARY BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON BALTIMORE)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the disposition of seized firearms or
2 ammunition.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 809.5, subsection 1, paragraph f,
2 subparagraph (3), Code 2015, is amended to read as follows:

3 (3) Notwithstanding ~~subparagraph~~ subparagraphs (1) and
4 (2), firearms or ammunition ~~with an aggregate fair market~~
5 ~~value equal to or less than five hundred dollars~~ shall be
6 deposited with the department of public safety. The firearms
7 or ammunition may be held by the department of public safety
8 and be used for law enforcement, testing, or comparisons by the
9 criminalistics laboratory, or may be destroyed or disposed of
10 by the department of public safety in accordance with section
11 809.21.

12 EXPLANATION

13 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
14 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

15 The bill requires that all firearms and ammunition seized by
16 law enforcement pursuant to Code chapter 809 (disposition of
17 seized property) and deemed abandoned or for which the owner
18 is unable to be located shall be deposited with the department
19 of public safety regardless of the fair market value of the
20 firearms or ammunition.